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HOUSE RESOLUTION 175 By Brooks

A RESOLUTION to honor April Williams and the members of the Memphis Light, Gas and Water Law Explorers Mock Trial Team.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly should honor those individuals who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment have achieved excellence in their academic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Ms. April Williams is one such astute and dedicated individual who recently participated as a member of the Memphis Light, Gas and Water (MLGW) Law Explorers Mock Trial Team in the 2000 City High School Mock Trial Competition; and

WHEREAS, the team is composed of high school students ranging from 14 years of age and older, who attend schools in the Memphis City and Shelby County School System; and

WHEREAS, sponsored by the Memphis Bar Association and the Boy Scouts of America; the competition was held January 28 through February 2, 2000 at the Shelby County Courthouse; and

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WHEREAS, area attorneys volunteered to serve as judges for the prestigious event as 26 teams gathered in the spirit of competition; the MLGW Law Explorers were well represented at the competition; and

WHEREAS, April was one of five participants receiving special honors at the competition, as she was named best attorney; her commitment and leadership are invaluable assets to the team; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cynthia White has served with acumen as the team's advisor; she also advised the 1997 MLGW Law Explorers Team that won first place honors at the National Competition in San Francisco, California; and

WHEREAS, Memphis attorney Tim Flowers was served as coach of the competition in Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, April's fellow team members include, Tamara Young, Bianca Jefferson Williams, Mary McNeill, Cassie Ford, Michael Pollion, Jeremy Peoples, and Zephaniah Holt; and

WHEREAS, through long hours of diligent study, steady composure during competition, and untiring commitment of time and talent, the members of the MLGW Law Explorers have achieved extraordinary success and, thus, have joined the ranks of Tennessee's and our nation's most elite students; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we pause to honor these exemplary students on their accomplishments; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby congratulate and honor April Williams and the members of the Memphis Light, Gas and Water Law Explorers Mock Trial Team and wish each of the members of this select group a successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a duly inscribed copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation to Ms. Williams with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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